

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application Number : 10/673,886 Confirmation No. 7856
Applicants : Jean-Louis ESCARY
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed October 18, 2007 Applicant submits the following Amendment and Reply.

Applicant believes that no fees are due in connection with this Amendment and Reply. However, in the event that any fees are due to enter and consider this Amendment and Reply, to pay for an extension of time, or to otherwise maintain the present application as pending, please charge such fees to the undersigned's **Deposit Account No. 50-0206**.

This Amendment and Reply is provided in the following format:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2; and **Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.